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FOR DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

FOLLOWING REPEAT TEHRAN 1389 SENT SECSTATE INFO JIDDA DATED
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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 1389

FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOBER FROM AMBASSADOR

JIDDA FOR UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: USIRJC IR

SUBJ: US-IRAN JOINT COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

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NOW THAT ALL FIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE JOINT COMMISSION
ARE BEHIND US, IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT MUCH WORK REMAINS TO BE
DONE IF JOINT COMMISSION MEETINGS OF MARCH 3-4 ARE
TO BE THE SUBSTANTIVE SUCCESS WE SEEK. ACCORDINGLY
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WE WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST FURTHER COMMENTS ALONG THE LINES

OF THOSE IN REFTEL B WHICH WILL GIVE FOCUS AND SUBSTANCE TO THE COMMISSION'S DELIBERATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS. IN THIS PROCESS, I BELIEVE THAT WE OUGHT TO BE LOOKING TOWARD THE PROMPT DEVELOPMENT OF AN AGREED UPON AGENDA AND THE OUTLINES OF A COMMUNIQUE WHICH WOULD EMERGE FROM THE MEETINGS.

2. WE HOPE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON'S PRESENCE HERE FEBRUARY 18-19 TO PURSUE THESE QUESTIONS WITH THE GOI. IT WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE MOST HELPFUL TO HAVE YOUR THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL.

3. AS WE WILL HAVE CONTINUING HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS DECISIONS, I BELIEVE THAT IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT THAT THIS EMBASSY BE REPRESENTED AT ALL DELIBERATIONS OF THE COMMISSION AND ITS COMMITTEES. ACCORDINGLY, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD ARRANGE FOR DCM MIKLOS, WHO HAS OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMISSION MATTERS, TO BE DESIGNATED A DELEGATE OR OBSERVER TO THE COMMISSION MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON AND THAT TRAVEL ORDERS BE ISSUED TO ENABLE HIM TO ATTEND. IF YOU THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL, HE COULD ARRIVE SEVERAL DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE COMMISSION'S MEETINGS TO HELP SORT OUT LAST MINUTE DETAILS. PLEASE ADVISE. HELMS UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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